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Magnetic Assist Read Track-Width Definition For A

Lead Overlay Top Spin-Valve GMR Head

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Final Office Action of 11/16/05 please amend the above identified application for patent as follows:

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.